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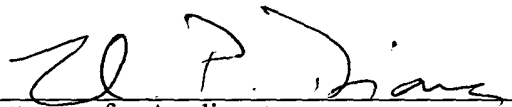
In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

The concise explanation of relevance for JP 7-302328 is provided by the counterpart U.S. patent 5,748,775 and the abstract of counterpart EP 671706.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
		5,748,775	5/5/98	Tsuchikawa et al.	382	190	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT
	JP	7-302328	11/14/95	Japan	H04N	7/18	U.S. counterpart & Abstract of EP counterpart

OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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